

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 134 – SB 203**

February 8, 2023

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Exempts churches and other religious organizations from following the *Campaign Financial Disclosure Act of 1980* when expending funds relating to questions of public or private morality.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Questions of public or private morality in the proposed legislation include, but are not limited to, alcohol, drugs, abortion, marriage, or gambling.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-10-101 et seq., the *Campaign Financial Disclosure Act of 1980* requires all candidates for public office and registered political campaign committees participating in state elections to file a report of campaign contributions and expenditures, with some exceptions.
- Exempting churches and other religious organizations from such requirements will not significantly impact operations of the Registry of Election Finance.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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